

for their sons and all I wish is
that these may continue to enjoy
their liberty in peace, making the
greatest possible progress in the
development of their high civili-
zation. We have felt much joy
by the ~~board~~ participating in our
difficulties which the English
press has shown and we entertain
a little hope that it will give
us by and by a good help in our
political position.

I am now ready to continue the
experiments from the last summer
concerning the influence of the elec-
tricity on growing plants and
afterwards I will continue my work
with the influence machine and as
soon as it is in order I will send you
an exemplar. I beg you to present
the compliments from me and Mrs Lennström
to Mrs Thompson and yourself and I remain
Yours very truly
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Dear Sir

I do not know what you think of
me because of my long silence. The
cause is that I have been very ill
in this bad Influenza and that I
have not been able to work as fre-
quently as I had wished. To that I will
add our difficult political cir-
cumstances, which put a heavy charge
on every-one here.

You remember my new influence
machine. I have now 7 exemplars
ready of which 3 of a larger type
and 2 of a smaller. They work
very well, but two of the larger
type do not work as well as
I should have wished it. I believe

that I know where the fault or defect is. I will not send out the machines before all is clear.

A few days ago I saw the newly made improvement on the Winslow machine by Mr Pidgeon.

I would like very much to study this machine, but I do not know where to have it. I will however write to Harey and Peck and I hope they will furnish me an exemplar.

At my last stay in England I received an invitation of the Rev of Nature to write on the results from the polar regions, published in volume III of the Exploration ed. but when I sent them my manuscript, I had it sent back here with the remark that it was too long.

As I could not shorten it without

sick to make it obscure, I worked it out anew and put in all what I regarded necessary for a clear comprehension. I got it printed here but from our little corner of the world it is difficult to make known the little we can produce and I beg you therefore to give me an ^{advise} ~~counsel~~ how to do in the case. Shall I shorten it and put it in Nature or shall I take steps to have it published elsewhere?

It is with greatest interest I have read your lectures on the light and seen how much good work you have done to make the things clear to everyone.

What you are happy in your political position! Did your fathers suffer ⁱⁿ their struggle for the liberty so have they created happiness for

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